### Mission

The WESPDHH Outreach Program supports children who are deaf, hard of hearing, and deafblind by providing a broad array of services to families and educational programs. Services are provided at no cost and are based on the needs of each individual child.



The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

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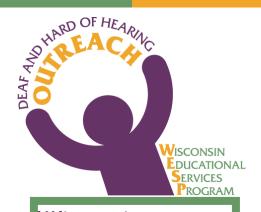
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#### Specialized Staff...

Our specialty staff can provide evaluation and assessment, consultation and/or training to support the needs of students who are deaf, hard of hearing and deafblind in the areas of:

- Educational Achievement
- Speech and/or Language Development
- Auditory Development
- Sign Communication Development
- Social/Emotional Development

In addition, Outreach staff can provide written evaluations and recommendations and can provide support to the child's IEP/IFSP team. All services to school districts are free of charge.

#### Learning Opportunities...

The Outreach Program supports a variety of professional and parent learning opportunities

- Professional Support Networks
- Presentations, workshops and inservices
- Statewide Parent Conference
- Distance Learning Opportunities

#### Unique Programs...

#### Captioned Media Program

The Captioned Median Program allows individuals and professionals to borrow captioned videotapes, at no cost.

#### **Deaf Mentor Project**

The Deaf Mentor Project supports the child and family's development of visual communication and language and self-identity through in-home ASL instruction and interaction with specially trained Deaf Mentors.

#### **Distant Pals**

The Distant Pals Program connects children who are deaf and hard of hearing throughout the state of Wisconsin with their peers through letter writing and special activities.

#### Website

Information about the Outreach Program, the Wisconsin School for the Deaf and other links related to the education of children who are deaf and hard of hearing are available on our website www.wesp-dhh.wi.gov

#### Guide-by-Your-Side Program

The Guide-by-Your-Side Program provides inhome parent-to-parent support, information sharing and linking to resources for families with children who are newly diagnosed with hearing loss.

#### Services Provided....

- Student Assessment
- Written Evaluations and Recommendations
- IEP and IFSP Participation
- Program Consultation to
   School Districts and Birth to 3
   Programs
- Family Consultations for families with a newly diagnosed deaf or hard of hearing child
- Professional In-services, Workshops and Conferences
- Parent Workshops and Trainings

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